

Today's Advertisements.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified that the HONGKONG VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY CORPS are to carry out GUN PRACTICE from the neighbourhood of North Point Battery on SATURDAY, the 29th instant, between the hours of 3 P.M. and 6 P.M.

The firing will be in a North-Easterly direction towards the Channel Rocks.

All Ships, Junks, and other Vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the range.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 26th February, 1896. [410]

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The Company's Steamship
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Captain Jackson, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 29th instant.
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Agents,
Hongkong, 27th February, 1896. [411]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
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Captain Outebridge, will be despatched on SUNDAY, the 1st March.
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Hongkong, 27th February, 1896. [412]

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Hongkong, 27th February, 1896. [413]

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Hongkong, 27th February, 1896. [413]

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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 10th January 1896. [414]

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1896.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

DR. JAMESON AND OFFICERS CHARGED AT BOW STREET.

LONDON, February 25th.
Dr. Jameson and his Officers were secretly landed at Port Said, and conveyed by a steamer to Bow Street, where they were charged with having led a military expedition against a friendly State. The case was adjourned for a fortnight, the accused being allowed bail of £2,000 each.

During the course of the hearing Sir John Bridge, the Magistrate, sternly rebuked some cheering which occurred in "court as tending to bring England into disrepute. He laid stress on the extreme gravity of the case and warned the prisoners to be discreet in their behaviour during the adjournment.

The Law Officers of the Crown will prosecute.

(From L'Avenir du Tonkin.)
ITALY AND ABYSSINIA.

PARIS, February 11th.
The position of the Italians and Abyssinians remains unaltered in Abyssinia since the fall of Menelek, the Italians holding their advanced posts and the Abyssinians remaining tranquil. No fighting has taken place. Italy is sending strong reinforcements to Africa.

THE TONKIN LOAN.

The Chamber has adopted, without discussion, the Tonkin loan project with the amendments made by the Senate.

OPENING OF PARLIAMENT.

PARIS, February 12th.
The British Parliament has opened a new Session by the reading of the Queen's Speech, which contains no sensational announcements on the question of foreign politics.

PARLIAMENTARY.

PARIS, February 13th.
The Chamber has passed a vote of confidence in the Cabinet by 336 votes to 43.

PARIS, February 19th.
The Chamber, after a lively discussion, renewed, by 300 votes to 185, the vote of confidence in the Cabinet passed last week.

OBITUARY.

PARIS, February 15th.
Ambrose Thomas, the author, is dead.

ARTON.

PARIS, February 14th.
Arton has been brought back to Paris from London.

MONSIEUR ROUSSEAU.

PARIS, February 15th.
Monsieur and Madame Rousseau, their daughter and son, and M. Leons left here this morning, and will leave Marseilles by the Paris to-morrow morning, bound for Saigon.

THE SITUATION.

PARIS, February 19th.
The political situation is unchanged, but may at any moment become critical.

(From Japanese Papers.) COUNT KABAYAMA RESIGNS.

TOKIO, February 16th.
The Premier received to-day a telegram from Count Kabayama, the Governor-General of Formosa, asking to be released from his office, as he desires to return home. The request, it is believed, will be acceded to.

To some of his friends the Governor-General has telegraphed that he hopes to leave Taipeh shortly after the 20th inst.

FORMOSAN AFFAIRS.

TOKIO, February 19th.
The military authorities in Formosa have forwarded a dispatch stating that the insurrection has now been almost completely subdued. By the 20th inst. it is expected that order will have been restored throughout the disturbed districts.

The rule and regulations for the taxation of Formosa will be issued in a few days. They will come into force on April 1st, which will be the commencement of the financial year.

A Council will be formed to deal with Formosan matters, consider petitions, suggest new legislation, and so forth.

THE NEW COLONIAL DEPARTMENT.
TOKIO, February 11th.
It is believed that the new Colonial Department will consist of two bureaux, to be known as the Bureau for Southern Affairs and the Bureau for Northern Affairs. The former will be concerned with the government of Formosa, and the latter with that of the Hokkaido.

DECORATIONS FOR THE TSAR.
TOKIO, February 12th.
The Mikado, it is said, intends to confer upon the Tsar on the occasion of his coronation the Higher Order of Merit, the insignia of the Chrysanthemum, and the Collar of the decoration.

THE RISINGS IN KOREA.

TOKIO, February 12th.
Official dispatches have been received here to the effect that the insurgents in the districts of Yo-ju have increased to more than three thousand in number. The movement is extending to Icheon. North from Kahe telegraphic communication is interrupted. The Japanese soldiers guarding the wires being few have been attacked, and number of them killed after defending themselves with desperation against insupportable odds. Mr. Kawasaki, telegraph operator, has been killed.

The Korean Government has decided to send two companies from the Bodyguards with the object of suppressing the rebellion.

From information reaching here it appears clear that the half-cutting ordinance has been seized by the officials as a pretext to incite the people to rise, the officials being notoriously disaffected towards the Government since the introduction of reforms rendering bribes illegal. Roads in the districts where the risings have occurred are just now blocked by ice and snow, thus rendering it difficult to suppress the insurgents, who doubtless realise the weakness of the Government now that the Japanese troops have mostly been withdrawn.

FOREIGN WAR-SHIPS AT FUSAN.

TOKIO, February 14th.
According to a telegram from Fusan, there is one Russian, one British, one German, and one French warship at that port.

THE "EDGAR" RELIEF FUND.

HONGKONG, February 27th.
The Hon. Treasurer of the Edgar Relief Fund begs to acknowledge, with thanks, the following donation:—

"Forth" £170.00
Brought forward £170.00
Total up to date £340.00

N.B.—The Contribution List will be closed on Saturday, the 29th instant.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

ALL Chinese found abroad in the French Concession at Tientsin after 10 p.m. are fined 500 cash each and then liberated.

MR. KYNE, late Sheriff of Singapore, appointed to this Colony as Registrar, formally assumed charge of his new office yesterday.

THE French Municipal Council at Tientsin are having an arduous well bore, in hope of obtaining a plentiful supply of good water.

THE share-register of the Straits Insurance Company, Limited, will be closed from to-morrow until the 10th prox, on which date the general meeting of the Company will be held in Singapore.

THE Tientsin A.D.C. produced "The Pirates of Penzance" in Gordon Hall on the 6th inst. Our Tientsin contemporary praises the A.D.C. for the splendid performance, as well as for the public spirit shown by its members.

MR. H. A. BOWELL, L.L.B., Attorney-General for Barbados, has been appointed to be Attorney-General of British Guiana, in the room of Mr. J. W. Carling, C.M.G., who was recently appointed Chief Justice of Hongkong.

THUS the Singapore Free Press in a recent issue—Mr. E. Ormiston, of the Mercantile Bank, went by the mail to China, having been transferred to Hongkong. Mr. Ormiston carries with him many hearty good wishes from Singapore, particularly from the Freemasons of the place, with whose interests he has closely identified himself.

It is announced in some of the London papers that "a marriage has been arranged" between Mr. H. B. Irving, eldest son of Sir Henry and Lady Irving, and Miss Dorothea Baird ("Trilby"), fifth surviving daughter of the late John Foster Baird, barrister-at-law, of Bowdon Hill, Northumberland, and Miss John's Avenue, Hampstead.

THE mortality returns for the week ending February 22nd, laid before the Sanitary Board this afternoon, show that there were forty-six deaths from plague during that period.

YESTERDAY afternoon an inquest was held upon the body found near Wanchai Gap last Monday night. All the circumstances show that the unfortunate man was nearly destitute, and that he fled to the hills to avoid the stigma attaching to not being able to liquidate his debts before the New Year, and there made away with himself. The Police are still making inquiries, however, to see if there is any reason to believe there had been foul play.

PRINCE BIDYALAPH will, according to the Bangkok Free Press, shortly leave for Europe, with the object of representing Siam at the Coronation of the Czar on May 14th. Prince Bidyalaph will be accompanied by two Siamese youths as attendants, and as his knowledge of foreign languages is extremely limited he will take interpreters with him from the Siamese Legation in Paris. It is quite possible that Prince Bidyalaph may remain in Europe as chief of one of the Legations. He will take with him the highest Order of the Siamese Court—the Maha Chakri—for the Czar.

It is announced that a remarkable work on the China-Japan War will shortly be published. The author is a prominent native of Japan, Mr. Jukichi Inoue; and he wrote the book primarily for his countrymen. It is compiled from official and personal sources, and is illustrated by a series of photographs, some of which were taken from the deck of the Japanese transport *Sakaya*. Mr. Inoue deals first with the great naval battle off the Yalu on September 17th, 1894; then he describes the war on "the Regent's Sword Peninsula" and the capture of Port Arthur; and, finally, he deals with the fall of Wei-hai-wee.

An inquiry was held by Mr. T. Sercombe Smith to-day to determine the cause of the death of an old woman who was knocked down, and killed, by a pony ridden by a foreigner, near Quarry Bay, yesterday. The evidence of the rider and of the friend who was with him was that the ponies had been walked a long way and were restless, and upon being put into a trot one took the bit between his teeth and bolted. Before he had galloped 100 yards, three Chinese were met. The deceased became confused and tried to cross the road in front of the runaway steed, but was not quick enough and was knocked down, the pony falling also. Dr. Atkinson stated that death resulted from fracture of the skull.

A finding of "death from fracture of the skull caused by being knocked down by a pony whose rider had lost control of him" was recorded.

MR. E. JEROME DYER, who, in the capacity of Special Commissioner of the Victorian and New South Wales Governments, visited Hongkong, the Shanghai and Japan in 1894 with a view to the development of trade between Australia and the Far East, is now in Bangkok on a commercial mission, and writes us that he will be in Hongkong, en route to Dai Nippon, about ten weeks hence, and in Japan a few days later. Mr. Dyer states that there is not a vestige of truth in the slanderous allegations of the *Chuo Shinbun* respecting his first mission to Japan, statements which were referred to briefly in the *Kobe Chronicle* of 21st ultimo and translated almost *in extenso* in the *Japan Mail* of the 31st idem. In the course of an interview with a representative of the *Bangkok Times* Mr. Dyer stated that he has been requested by the Government of New South Wales to see what openings there are in the Far East for Australian products; that he is a member of the firm of E. Jerome Dyer & Co., of Melbourne and Sydney; and is gathering materials for a work dealing with the commercial affairs of the Far East and the prospects of a development of the trade of Australasia with the Orient.

A SUMOUR is, says the *Tientsin Times* of the 8th instant, current among the Chinese that the Chinese Government will repudiate the Shimonoseki Treaty, practically, and that no more instalments of the indemnity will be paid. It is stated, according to the *Tientsin paper*, that the Russian Government is getting alarmed at the warlike preparations which the Japanese are making, and more particularly with that part of the programme which embraces building in England such powerful additions to their already very strong fleet. It would appear that a race is going on between the Siberian Railway and the Japanese fleet, and judging from the expeditious manner in which English shipbuilders are progressing with the new ships for the Japanese, the Japanese fleet will win the race. On the two ironclads 1,000 men are working day and night, while on the Siberian railway thousands of men are working at night by the aid of the electric light. The Siberian Railway has reached a certain stage, four years ahead of the anticipated time. The Russians are working indefatigably to concentrate stores and men on the Russian-Chinese frontier, but this may be no more than a necessary precaution to protect Russian interests against any possible complications with so strong a power as Japan has, so conclusively, shown herself to be.

MEMORANDA.

FRIDAY, 25th February.
Dividend of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co. payable to-day.

The share-register of the Straits Insurance Co. closed from this day to the 12th proximo, inclusive.

5:30 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Precinctory.

SATURDAY, 29th February.

2:30 p.m.—Auction of porcelain, etc., at Mr. G. P. Lammer's sale-rooms, Duddell Street.

9 p.m.—Orchestra Company's Concert at the Theatre Royal.

NORTH FORMOSA NOTES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

TAMSUI, February 24th.

Affairs in North Formosa are gradually returning to their wonted quiet. Since the recent rebellion the Chinese have felt the iron heel of their new rulers, and are beginning to see the time to work off an old grudge and get your enemy out of the way. If the Chinese are to be believed numbers of their countrymen have been legally murdered through false evidence and barefaced perjury.

The arrest of Mr. Sir On-ook, co-proprietors to Messrs. Lepalik, Cass & Co., has created quite a sensation here. Mr. Sir On-ook is accused of aiding and abetting the rebels in the late rising, but as far as outsiders can see he is innocent, and could have no possible motive in aiding the rebels. He is a Cantonese, has a good position, and is much respected by all who know him. Mr. Ayton, H.B.M. Consul, is using all his influence to get him off, or at least secure for him a fair trial. It was a sad sight to see the old man-marched along with his hands tied behind his back, and much sympathy is felt for him.

The village of Kanton, where the Japanese were brutally murdered last week, was the scene of one of the latest scenes of the Japanese find it necessary to give the Chinese who defy them. Early this month a large armed party landed from steam-launches, and at once executed ten of the headmen, threw their bodies into their houses and burnt down the whole place. Kanton was a village of 1,000 inhabitants, and is situated on the north bank of the river, half way between Tamsui and Taipei. The inhabitants have always borne a bad name as combing-gracy with their more peaceful occupations of fisherman and farmers, and their last grand haul was during the flight of the late Governor, when they looted a boat with \$75,000, part of the money he was taking out of the island. The village is now a mass of blackened ruins, deserted, and stands out as a warning to all who pass up and down the river.

The Japanese steamer *Sethoomes*, *Maru* arrived off Tamsui last week, and anchored at the bar, as she was drawing 14 feet, to wait for spring tides. At night her cable parted and she quickly drifted into the breakers, and was damaged. The *Sethoomes* *Maru* is an old vessel, and was well known in the Singapore trade. *Diamond*, well known in the Singapore trade, the weather has been very stormy since the stranded, nothing has been done towards saving either ship or cargo.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The twenty-seventh ordinary general meeting of shareholders in the above named Company was held at the office of the General Managers (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co.) at noon to-day, Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving presiding, and there were also present Hon. C. E. Chater, Messrs. J. H. Lewis, M. D. Esakiel, G. G. Bird, A. Ross, (Director), V. R. Deacon, J. D. Humphreys, H. Humphreys, P. Jordan, B. Byrnes, Ho Fook, Lo Chung-ah, G. C. Anderson, J. R. Michael, K. A. Chines, G. H. Potts, J. M. G. Pereira, C. F. Laine, G. L. Tomlin, L. K. Davis, and R. H. K. Burder (Acting Secretary).

The notice calling the meeting having been read.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report and accounts having been in your hands for three weeks, I will, with your permission, take them as read. Owing to the closing of the agencies in the United Kingdom, the report has been delayed much earlier than has been customary in previous years. The accounts, too, have been rendered in a slightly different form, and now show the actual amounts disbursed for losses, charges and commissions. These changes I feel confident will be appreciated by the shareholders. I regret that the 1895 account shows such an unfavourable result, due mainly to expenses in connection with the final closing of the agencies in the United Kingdom. The result would have been even worse than it is, had it not been for an unexpected gain in exchange on a remittance made to London to pay off the large debt balance there. I regret that the balance of the 1894 account only admits of the payment of the usual bonus to contributing shareholders and a dividend of \$5.05 per share, as against \$14 for 1895. On the other hand, I am glad to say that the 1895 account shows a surplus of \$25,122.64, which will doubtless be considered satisfactory by the shareholders. Until all the risks run off on 31st December next, it is of course impossible to estimate even approximately the final result of the year's working, but if losses are not above the average a favourable account may be expected. As compared with previous years, our premium income shows a large decrease, which is accounted for by the closing of agencies in the United Kingdom, and the continuation of risks in Calcutta owing to the low rates ruling there. The interest account also shows a falling off caused by the reduction in the rates of Bank deposits, and the consequent lowering of interest on mortgages. Several large mortgages were paid off last May, and the money reinvested in debentures, and placed on fixed deposits with the local Banks. The interest received there two sources is somewhat low, but we consider it desirable for the Company to always have a large amount of assets which are easily realizable. It is very gratifying to the Consulting Committee and to the General Managers to be able to show a decrease of over \$50,000 in charges account. This makes the present ratio of expenses to premium as moderate as it was for some time past. It has been for many years past, for since our last meeting, which at materially increasing rates have been agreed to here and at many of our agencies. The major portion of our business is now written on absolutely net terms, and I think it is only a question of time until the bonus system is done away with altogether. We are adopting a most conservative policy with regard to all our risks at every agency, and with this view of making a closer investigation your Committee have decided to send the Acting Secretary on a tour of inspection on Mr. Vetch's return in April. Since the 31st December several fires have occurred here, at Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama and Singapore, entailing a loss to the Company of \$13,300 nearly all of which fall on the 1895 account. Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts, I shall be pleased to answer any question that may be asked.

The Chairman (after a pause):—There being no questions, I beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. J. D. Humphreys:—I have very much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and statement of accounts as presented to the meeting, and I think, after the very full statement that has been made by the

Chairman, there is very little for the second to do. But at the same time it would perhaps be only right to draw attention to two or three points which might perhaps be overlooked. With respect to the 1895 account, and the lower dividend on the result, the bulk of the year we must expect to suffer in common with every one else. Every one suffered for two or three years owing to a bad system, but I think that will not occur again. Under the guidance of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., who are proverbial for succeeding in everything they undertake, I myself see no reason to doubt that when the cause is removed they will do as well as it is possible to do with your business, and that you will have the sympathy and support of the entire community in China. As to the 1895 account, the results of that year's working are simply magnificent. It is a splendid result and if it had been possible for the General Managers, under the Articles of Association, to declare an interim dividend for 1895 to supplement the dividend for 1894, they would have had pleasure in doing so. But if we do not get it now we know it is there and we are sure to get it by and by. As for the losses, I do not believe an extreme loss will result, respect to the policies of the Company held for 1895. There is another circumstance which ought to be referred to that might be passed by, and that is the circumstance that the General Managers intend to ask Mr. Burder to go round and inspect every risk that the Company holds everywhere. It will be a long job, and although we have no reason to doubt that the risks are perfectly safe, it will be satisfactory no doubt that a great many of the people to have that confirmed by Mr. Burder's report. (Applause.) I do not think I need say anything more. We have been told Mr. Burder is going on the return of Mr. Vetch, and I think the shareholders, in addition to being very satisfied with their General Managers, may esteem themselves very lucky in being served by such thoroughly reliable gentlemen as Messrs. Vetch and Burder. With these few remarks, I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts. (Applause.)

Carried.

Mr. Potts:—I have much pleasure in moving that the appointment of Messrs. M. D. Esakiel and A. Ross be confirmed, and that the present Directors, Messrs. Chater, Bird, Esakiel and Ross be re-elected as the Consulting Committee. Seconded by Mr. Tomlin and carried.

Mr. H. Humphreys: I beg to move the re-election of Messrs. Henderson and Coxon as auditors.

This was seconded by Mr. Byrnes and carried *unanimously*.

The Chairman concluded the business by thanking all for their attendance and stating that the dividend and bonus warrants would be ready to-morrow.

THE SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon. Mr. F. A. Cooper (Director of Public Works) presided, and there were also present Dr. J. M. Atkinson, (Colonial Surgeon), Capt. W. C. H. Hastings (Acting Captain Superintendent of Police) Dr. F. W. Clark, (Medical Officer of Health), Mr. N. J. Eds and Mr. Hugh McCallum (Secretary).

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

HOUSE TO HOUSE VISITATION.

The President moved:—That the Sanitary Board, under the provisions of by-law No. 23 made under Ordinance 15 of 1894, do make a house to house visitation within that portion of the city of Victoria bounded on the north by the Praya, on the south by the Cable and Bonham Roads, on the east by Wyndham Street, and on the west by the western boundary of Marine Lot No. 184 and Island Lot No. 83, for the purpose stated in the by-law referred to.

Mr. Eds seconded, and it was agreed to.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Sundry reports by the Sanitary Engineer, and Medical Officer of Health were received, and their recommendations ordered to be carried out.

MORTALITY RETURNS.

The mortality returns for the week ending the 19th and 22nd February were laid on the table. These show the average death-rate to have been 20.8 and 30.6 respectively, as against 18.9 and 18.9 for the corresponding periods last year. There were 17 deaths from plague during the former week and 46 during the latter.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Board adjourned for a fortnight.

COUNT OKUMA ON THE KOREAN TROUBLE.

YOKOHAMA, February 19th.

Interviewed by a representative of the *Chuo Shinbun*, the "Count of Waseda" made a remarkably outspoken statement about the Korean complication. The Premier, he said, must have anticipated some such trouble in Korea, and to escape the

Amusements.

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Hongkong, 25th February, 1896. [405]

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LIMITED,
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship

"HAI TAN,"
Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above
Ports TO-MORROW, the 28th instant, at
Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1896. [409]

JAVA, CHINA JAPAN LINE OF
STEAMERS.
UNDER MANAGEMENT OF THE
ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY
OF NETHERLANDS INDIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.
(Subject to Alterations.)
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S.S. *Cornelis*.....April.

TO JAPAN.
S.S. *Federatie*.....April.
S.S. *Gerritman*.....May.
S.S. *Cornelis*.....June.

General Agents for China & Japan,
LAURE, WEGENER & Co.,
Hongkong, 24th February, 1896. [391]

Intimations.

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Of all who consider the question is given in favour of

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THE GUARANTEED PRODUCT OF PRIME OX BEEF.

50 TIMES MORE NOURISHING THAN MEAT EXTRACT OR BEEF TEA
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Hongkong, 21st Feb. 1896. [52]

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JUST RECEIVED. A FRESH SUPPLY OF

SALTER'S FAMOUS BLACK GUT
TENNIS RACQUETS.
ALSO IN STOCK.

"THE DEMON" and other makes.

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TENNIS BALLS and TENNIS GEAR. [6]

Hongkong, 12th February, 1896.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

"NERIT" Captain W. Daniel, will be despatched at above
Port on SATURDAY, the 29th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [364]

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"PORT ADELAIDE" Captain Morgan, will be despatched for the
above Port on SATURDAY, the 29th instant, at
Noon, followed by the

S.S. "GHAZEE" on or about the 15th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1896. [278]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND
PORTS, and taking through Cargo to
ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,
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THE Steamship

"AIRLIE" Captain Kirk, will be despatched for the above
Ports on SATURDAY, the 29th instant, at 2
P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for
Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber
which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions
throughout the voyage.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon
are carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1896. [374]

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

"SPONDILUS" Captain W. Edward, will be despatched at above
Port on MONDAY, the 2nd March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1896. [393]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"ARRATON APCAR" Captain J. E. Hansen, will be despatched for the
above Ports on TUESDAY, the 3rd March, at
3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1896. [402]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN.

THE Steamship

"KWEIYANG" Captain Dawson, will be despatched on TUES-
DAY, the 3rd March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1896. [376]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GLENFRUIN" Captain Drake, R.N.R., will be despatched at
above Port on or about TUESDAY, the 3rd March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1896. [382]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"DIOMED" Captain Bartlett, will be despatched at above
Port on THURSDAY, the 5th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [316]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

THE Steamship

"CENTAUR" Captain Williams, will be despatched on
THURSDAY, the 5th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1896. [346]

Shipping.

STRAMERS.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE AND
COLOMBO.

(Calling at PENANG and Indragiri offiers.)
THE Company's Steamship

"HIROSHIMA MARU" Captain Anderson, will be despatched for the
above Ports TO-MORROW, the 28th instant, at
5 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1896. [381]

FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT).

THE Steamship

"CHING PING" Captain Blake, will be despatched for the above
Port on MONDAY, the 2nd March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1896. [375]

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT).

THE Steamship

"ADOWA" Captain Owens, will be despatched for the above
Port on WEDNESDAY, the 4th March, at
Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1896. [395]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"TANTALUS" Captain Hannah, will be despatched at above
Port on SATURDAY, the 14th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1896. [396]

OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGA-
TION COMPANY'S PACIFIC
STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1896.
(Subject to Alterations.)

Chittagong.....Saturday.....15th March.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED
STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

THE Steamship

"CHITTAGONG" will be despatched hence for HONOLULU,
VICTORIA, B.C., and PORTLAND, OREGON,
via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on SATUR-
DAY, the 14th March.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States
Ports should be in QUADRUPPLICATE, and one
Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to
the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT,
Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland,
Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and
Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1896. [407]

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(Following the S.S. *Falladen* Hall.)

THE Steamship

"QUEEN OLGA" Captain Harris, will be despatched for the above
Port on or about 15th March.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1896. [408]

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A. L. British Ship

"BRODICK CASTLE" Ferguson, Master, will load here for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
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Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1692]

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A. L. British Ship

"QUEEN ELIZABETH" Felson, Master, will load here for the above Port,
and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1896. [1695]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 100 A. L. British Ship

"GERASTES" A. Peters, Master, will leave as above on or
about the 20th March, 1896.

For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. [1698]

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S
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THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA
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Twin Screw Steamships—4,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 20 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN...Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 18th March.

EMPEROR OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 8th April.

EMPEROR OF INDIA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 29th April.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF
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DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL
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FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection de-
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Passengers Booked through to all principal ports and AROUND THE WORLD. Return
tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 8 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic and Civil Service, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan.

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The attractive features of this Company's route, embraces its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS,
(second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS
(the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition)
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Line passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by
the Company, and all appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Fidder's Street. [3]

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896.

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STEAMSHIP
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JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES,
MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND
EUROPE.

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Coptic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama).....Tuesday, 3rd March, at Noon.

Galle (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama).....Saturday, 21st March, at Noon, 1896.

Bilge (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama).....Wednesday, 8th April, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"COPTIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via
NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and
YOKOHAMA, on TUESDAY, the 3rd March,
1896, at Noon. Connection being made at
Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-
LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu
and passengers are allowed to break their
journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
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United States or Canada. Rates may be
obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO
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Routes from San Francisco, including the
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Railways, and from Chicago to destination the
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Special rates (first class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,
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Officials in service of China, and Japan, and to
Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embark-
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count of 10 per cent. This allowance does not
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to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to
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the Company's Office until Five P.M. the day
previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-
tined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the Company's
Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,
San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or
Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company,
No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 14th February, 1896. [16]